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FOR DR BRZEZINSKI

FOLLOWING REPEAT DAR ES SALAAM 5043 ACTION SECSTATE GABORONE
LAGOS LONDON LUSAKA MAPUTO PRETORIA USUN DEC 20.

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L DAR ES SALAAM 5043

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SUBJECT: RHODESIA: FOURIE VISIT TO LONDON

REF: (A) LONDON 20568, (B) STATE 301470

1. FROM DAR PERSPECTIVE, FCO'S OBJECTIVES IN MEETING WITH
FOURIE (PARA 2 REF A) DO NOT SEEM TO FOCUS SHARPLY ENOUGH ON
CONVINCING SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT NOT SIMPLY THAT SMITH'S
PROPOSALS WON'T WORK AND OURS WILL, BUT THAT WE ARE FIRMLY
DETERMINED TO FORGE AHEAD WITH ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS. WE
KNOW THAT THEME IS FULLY APPRECIATED IN DEPEARTMENT AND EMBASSY
LONDON, AND REALIZE FCO'S STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES MAY BE
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ATTEMPT TO FLESH OUT THAT MESSAGE. IN LATTER REGARD, MORE MIGHT
BE DONE--E.G., INFORM FOURIE OF FORTHCOMING OWEN LETTER TO PF,
POSSIBLE CARVER VISIT TO MAPUTO, PROSPECTIVE ANGLO-AMERICAN
MEETING WITH FRONT LINE PRESIDENTS.

2. IN ANY CASE, FOR OUR PURPOSES HERE IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT
TO ENSURE THAT ANY US AND UK PRESS STATEMENTS ABOUT FOURIE

MEETING HAVE AS THEIR THRUST NOT THAT CONSULTATIONS OCCURRED
WITH SOUTH AFRICANS ABOUT RHODESIA BUT THAT SAG WAS TOLD THAT
WE INTEND TO PRESS ON WITH ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS WITH
EXPECTATION OF SUCCESS. THAT WAS BASIS ON WHICH WE EXPLAINED
TO NYERERE THE FORTHCOMING FOURIE MEETING IN LONDOON(STATE
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